

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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May 11, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#65 MAY 11, 2010

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
IN THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST
AND THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF
ACTON, SOLEDAD, SOUTH WHITTIER, AND WILLOWBROOK
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 4, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)

# **SUBJECT**

This action is to award public works construction contracts and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute contracts for work in the Angeles National Forest and the unincorporated communities of Acton, Soledad, South Whittier, and Willowbrook.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to prepare the construction contracts in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contracts, and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds and insurance filed by the contractors for the following:

• Project ID No. RDC0013370 - Robin Street, et al., to reconstruct roadway pavement and construct curb and gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, detectable warning surfaces, cross gutters, and a concrete bus pad, in the unincorporated community of Willowbrook, to Sequel Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$534,335.97.

- Project ID No. RDC0013983 Soledad Canyon Road, to resurface existing roadway pavement and install thermoplastic striping and pavement markings, in the Angeles National Forest and the unincorporated communities of Acton and Soledad, to Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., in the amount of \$763,230.54.
- Project ID No. RDC0015248 Richvale Drive, et al., to resurface existing roadway pavement and install thermoplastic striping and pavement markings, in the unincorporated community of South Whittier, to All American Asphalt, in the amount of \$1,263,000.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval from the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (Board) to award these construction contracts and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Materials bonds and insurance filed by the contractors for each of these projects.

See enclosures as follows for each project. The enclosures for each project include the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed.

- Project ID No. RDC0013370 Sheets 1A and 1B
- Project ID No. RDC0013983 Sheets 2A and 2B
- Project ID No. RDC0015248 Sheets 3A and 3B

The recommended construction contracts are necessary to execute Board directed and approved Department of Public Works (Public Works) projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and the subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Awarding these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and will enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

# FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These actions will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The enclosures for each project include the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0013370 are included in the Second Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

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Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0013983 are included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0015248 are included in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractors are in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

The award of the contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, County regulations. These contracts contain terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contracts are awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California

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Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the enclosure for each project.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, each of these projects was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

These construction contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

GAIL FARBER

Director

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**Enclosures** 

Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
 County Counsel
 Executive Office
 Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

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# AWARD OF CONTRACT May 11, 2010

<u>PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013370 - ROBIN STREET, ET AL.</u> (in the unincorporated community of Willowbrook), Supervisorial District 2

TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruction of roadway pavement; construction of curb and

gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, detectable warning surfaces, cross gutters, and a concrete bus pad; and the performance of other

appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: January 12, 2010 (Agenda Item 37)

BID OPENING DATE: March 2, 2010

# **BID SUMMARY**:

Low	Sequel Contractors, Inc. 13546 Imperial Highway Santa Fe Springs, California 90760 (562) 802-7227	\$534,335.97
2	Bannaoun Engineers	\$552,721.00
3	Sully-Miller Contracting Company	\$555,199.81
4	Pave West	\$568,102.00
5	Kormx, Inc.	\$598,750.02
6	Commercial Coating Company, Inc.	\$599,985.00
7	Landmark Site Contractors	\$615,759.58
8	All American Asphalt	\$637,000.00
9	Excel Paving Company	\$637,326.73
10	Y & M Construction	\$837,791.60

B & T Works, Inc., submitted a bid of \$504,657.83; however, they did not use the amended Schedule of Prices that was sent with Addendum No. 3. Therefore, their bid is considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

#### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Amount of estimate	\$523,874.05
Amount of recommended contract	\$534,335.97
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 10,461.92

The amount of the recommended contract is 2 percent above the estimate.

This project will be financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. This project is included in the Second Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Sequel Contractors, Inc., has two MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, yielding an MWBE participation of 18 percent.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

On January 12, 2010, Agenda Item 37, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 50 working days. It is estimated the work will start in June 2010 and be completed in August 2010.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013983 - SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD (in the Angeles National Forest and the unincorporated communities of Acton and Soledad), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Resurfacing of existing roadway pavement, installation of

thermoplastic striping and pavement markings, and the

performance of other appurtenant work.

<u>CALL FOR BIDS DATE</u>: February 2, 2010 (Agenda Item 36)

BID OPENING DATE: March 2, 2010

# **BID SUMMARY**:

Low	Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc. P.O. Box 50085 Watsonville, California 95077-5085 (831) 724-1011	\$	763,230.54
2	Pavement Coatings Co. *Copp Contracting, Inc.	•	870,862.98 ,147,462.54

<sup>\*</sup>MWBE

Bond Blacktop, Inc., submitted a bid of \$973,877.30; however, they did not submit a fully executed bid bond. Therefore, their bid is considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the contract specifications.

# **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**:

Amount of estimate	\$1	1,221,439.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$	763,230.54
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$	458,208.46

The amount of the recommended contract is 38 percent below the estimate.

This project will be financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. This project is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**:

On February 2, 2010, Agenda Item 36, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July 2010 and be completed in August 2010.

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<u>PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015248 - RICHVALE DRIVE, ET AL.</u> (in the unincorporated community of South Whittier), Supervisorial District 4

TYPE OF WORK: Construction of emulsion-aggregate asphalt rubber aggregate membrane, asphalt rubber hot mix, and slurry seal; installation of thermoplastic striping and pavement markings; and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: February 9, 2010 (Agenda Item 24)

BID OPENING DATE: March 9, 2010

# **BID SUMMARY**:

Low	All American Asphalt, a corporation P.O. Box 2229 Corona, California 92878-2229 (951) 736-7600	\$1,263,000.00
2 3 4 5 6 7	R. J. Noble Company Hardy and Harper, Inc. Sully-Miller Contracting Company Excel Paving Company Gentry Brother, Inc. Pave West	\$1,279,895.06 \$1,353,000.00 \$1,362,039.76 \$1,389,361.88 \$1,426,676.64 \$1,476,696.15
<u>FINA</u>	NCIAL INFORMATION:	
Amount of estimate Amount of recommended contract Amount of recommended contract below estimate		\$1,448,537.41 \$1,263,000.00 \$ 185,537.41

The amount of the recommended contract is 13 percent below the estimate.

This project will be financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. The Department of Public Works is seeking a Rubberized Asphalt Concrete grant, currently estimated to be \$20,200, made available by the California Integrated Waste Management Board to be used toward the pavement work. This project is

included in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

All American Asphalt has one MWBE subcontractor/supplier under this contract.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**:

On February 9, 2010, Agenda Item 24, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 50 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July 2010 and be completed in September 2010.

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